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## News Briefs

### Bigfoot becomes Circle K

During the past week, what was formerly the Bigfoot gas station and convenience store underwent several changes, including a name change to Circle K.

According to an employee, Mac's Convenience Stores bought the Bigfoot three years ago and is now consolidating names to Circle K.

The removed Bigfoot sign will be auctioned Saturday, October 9 at 10:00 a.m. The proceeds from the auction will go to the March of Dimes.

By Bob Schulein

### Google offers service to rival Amazon.com

Google has launched a new site, Google Print, that will contain searchable excerpts of books for readers' perusal and purchase.

In an attempt to prevent piracy, visitors will be unable to print or copy the publisher-posted excerpts.

By Lissa Avery

### Mars rovers continue to find water clues

The Opportunity rover, which had reported evidence of a sea in the Meridiani Planum, recently found evidence of a second saturation of the area.

Opportunity has found rocks cracked in particular patterns that, on Earth, would indicate the presence of small amounts of water, perhaps from melting frost or underground ice.

Similarly, the Spirit rover has found what appears to be water-altered rocks halfway around the planet from Opportunity in the Columbia Hills.

By Lissa Avery

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# Campus renovations

Lissa Avery  
News Editor

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Each year Rose-Hulman's campus goes through a period of change and growth. This year, everything from the paint in the residence halls to the President's office has been worked on during the summer. In addition, the newest apartment style residence hall has been completed.

One of the exciting renovations on campus this year is "Chauncey's," a non-alcoholic bar in the basement of the Hulman Memorial Union, formerly the location of the Game Room. The bar has several satellite television sets and one high definition television for user viewing of sporting events and political debates. In addition, the bar is home to different pieces of Rose-Hulman sports memorabilia. The intention for "Chauncey's" is for residence hall floors and different groups to be able to gather and watch different events on the television sets. For instance, a gathering formed September 30 to watch the presidential debate.

With the new apartment

residence hall ready for use, a Subway and convenience store have opened, which will provide the only non-Aramark food services on campus. Subway has become a popular option for students' meals; its meal exchange hours have undergone several revisions and expansions until its hours are now 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Sweeping changes were also made to Logan Library. The lower level was modified to contain both the ROTC and Learning Center programs, and was retrofitted to have a sprinkler system and wireless Internet access. There is more space for Learning Center tutoring, as well as additional rooms for students in groups or individually to study in quiet. According to Susan Smith, Director of the Learning Center, a variety of media has been made available for student use, including videos, tapes, and CDs available for checkout, covering "topics from study skills to GRE or MCAT test preparation to career overviews."

There have been several changes made to the dorms this summer. Scharpenberg, Bloomberg, Mees, and Deming Halls have been retrofitted to have a sprinkler system. Skinner, BSB, and Speed Halls currently do not have a



Andrea Brown / Photographer  
Chauncey's, located in the former Game Room, is home to satellite and high-definition television as well as pool tables, and movie rentals.

sprinkler system, but plans for installing more systems are underway for next summer. The networking components in BSB have been upgraded to provide a 100 Mb

connection to each room and Deming has been remodeled to include a kitchen. They were the last of the residence halls to receive these renovations.

## Rose-Hulman fraternities earn accolades

Bridget Mayer  
Staff Writer

Rose-Hulman's Greek community collected several awards this past year for chapter activity, academics, and philanthropy. Many times, awards like these go unnoticed.

Triangle Fraternity won its national organization's Chapter Performance Award. This award, a measure of scholarship, campus activities, alumni relations, and house activity, is given to the top ten chapters in the country; Triangle was number one in 2004. One of the fraternity's members was selected as a delegate to a new nine-member advisory board at the Triangle national headquarters.

Phi Gamma Delta (FIJI) earned their organization's

Beta Cup, awarded to the best chapter in the state. The chapter also brought home awards for the Best Pledge Education Program and Best Campus Involvement in the state of Indiana. In addition, Fiji won the distinguished John Templeton McCarty Chapter Proficiency Award, given for demonstration of good university relations, adherence to fraternity laws, and promotion the fraternity's standards.

The Delta Delta Delta convention, held in July in San Antonio, Texas, named the Rose-Hulman chapter one of the top five collegiate chapters donating to the sorority's national foundation. Tri Delta sorority members were also recognized for Outstanding Financial Responsibility, Outstanding Academic Achievement, and for membership

recruitment.

The Alpha Tau Omega national organization awarded its Rose-Hulman chapter the National Excellence Award and Recruitment Advantage Excellence Award; the fraternity was also named True Merit Honorable Mention, a title given in recognition of the chapter's commitment to their Creed and positive community and campus involvement. The awards were given at the annual Alpha Tau Omega Congress in July; three of Rose-Hulman's members traveled to Atlanta to accept the awards.

Pi Kappa Alpha members attended their fraternity's biennial convention in St. Louis to share ideas about improving their chapter. During the convention, the chapter received the Work Day Award,

for improving their house and grounds, as well as an Outstanding Chapter award given to only a handful of the top chapters in the nation. Pi Kappa Alpha also earned a scholarship for having one of the top cumulative grade point averages.

Members of Chi Omega sorority also traveled to their national organization's convention in San Antonio this past summer. The chapter received the Award of Excellence, a recognition based on scholarship, community service, hospitality, high standards of personnel, and administrative criteria. The award is given to chapters that distinguish themselves in all categories.

The other Greek organizations could not be reached for comment.

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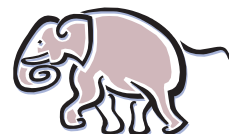


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# Honor alumni and distinguished young alumni awards to be presented at homecoming

*Rose-Hulman News*

Eight alumni will be honored for their early career success or their volunteer service to Rose-Hulman during Homecoming activities Friday and Saturday (Oct. 8-9).

Four graduates who have helped recruit new students, coordinate special alumni events and assist academic departments will receive the 2004 Rose-Hulman Honor Alumni Award. Selected for the honor are Winston Fowler, Northville, Mich.; David Maxwell, Edwardsville, Ill.; Bill Perkins, Bloomington, Ind.; and Matt Warstler, Alpharetta, Ga. They will be honored during the Alumni Awards Brunch at 9 a.m. Saturday in the Hulman Union.

Fowler has helped the Rose-Hulman admissions office recruit students from the Detroit area, and he has been an alumni class agent for many years. Fowler worked for 18 years for Ford Motor Co.

Maxwell is project manager and bridge engineer for Howard R. Green Co. He has helped new Rose-Hulman graduates begin their careers and he serves on the college's Department of Civil Engineering Board of Advisors. Perkins served as a member of the Commission on the Future of Rose-Hulman and is an alumni class agent.

Perkins, a 1960 civil engineering graduate, is retired from a distinguished 37-year teaching career at Indiana University. He recently received the IU Distinguished Service Award.

Warstler has served for several years as the Georgia coordinator for the Rose-Hulman Alumni Association. He has also been a volunteer for the college's admissions office.

The four recipients of the Distinguished Young Alumni Award will be Erik Hayes, director of residence life at Rose-Hulman, Terre Haute; Gregory Hubbard, General Motors Engineering Group Manager for Hybrid Power Train Control Systems, Brighton, Mich.; Scott Loughmiller, director of product management, Tumbleweed Communications, Redwood City, Calif.; and Jeff Ready, vice president of marketing for Tumbleweed Communications, San Jose, Calif.

The award is in recognition of early career achievement among alumni who have graduated within the past 10 years. The award will be presented Friday evening during a Homecoming event sponsored by the Rose-Hulman Young Alumni Council.

Hayes oversees programs that provide activities and services for about 1,000 students living in eight campus residence halls at Rose-Hulman. He supervises residence assistant staff and serves as advisor to the Residence Hall Association. Erik received the Outstanding New Professional Award for the Great Lakes Region from the Association of College University Housing Officers following his first year as director of residence life. In a recent national survey, Rose-Hulman's residence halls were ranked first among 233 colleges or university in the category of overall student satisfaction. He serves on the Young Alumni Council and volunteers for several education organizations in Terre

Haute. Hayes earned the bachelor's and master's degrees from Rose-Hulman in 1997 and 2000 respectively.

Hubbard, a 1994 mechanical engineering graduate, is leading a team at General Motors on the development of hybrid power trains for passenger vehicles. He received the Chairman's Honors Award presented by the president and CEO of GM for his work on the electric drive component for a hybrid transit bus. Hubbard has received 14 U.S. patents and has 25 patents pending. He helped develop the transmission that was used in the vehicle selected in 2001 as the Motor Trend magazine "Truck of the Year." He assists the mechanical engineering department by submitting proposals for senior design projects.

Loughmiller became a successful entrepreneur even before graduation. His first company was Aureate Development in



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The four recipients of the Distinguished Young Alumni Award (from left): Erik Hayes, Gregory Hubbard, Scott Loughmiller, and Jeff Ready.

Terre Haute which was created with fellow students Jeff Ready and Mike Olson. His most recent venture, Corvigo, was sold in a multi-million dollar deal to Tumbleweed Communications. Technical developments that he has contributed to include a product that allowed companies to put their ads into software games, and Intent-Based Filtering which uses artificial intelligence to fil-

ter junk e-mail. Loughmiller has been a guest lecturer in entrepreneurship classes at Rose-Hulman and his companies have created employment opportunities for several Rose-Hulman graduates. He earned a bachelor of science in computer science in 1996.

Ready has teamed with other Rose-Hulman alumni to create several companies, the most recent being Corvigo which was

bought by Tumbleweed Communications. He received the Blue Chip Award from the U.S. Chamber of Commerce and the Best Technology Award from Ziff Davis.

He has provided summer internships for Rose-Hulman students and has been a guest lecturer on campus. Ready earned the bachelor of science in computer science in 1996.

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# Rose Sports Rundown

by Andrew Twarek

**Football (3-2, 0-1 SCAC)**

The Engineer football team started this season with a 3-1 mark. Last week, they were defeated by No. 9 Trinity University in the closest margin ever between the two teams, at 14-35. Rose-Hulman topped Earlham 16-12 in the opener, then dropped a 3-21 decision to Mount St. Joseph before winning 23-3 over Concordia (Ill.) and marching 40-14 past Oberlin.

The team's two young quarterbacks are showing their stuff: sophomore Cameron Hummel has passed for 321 yards and freshman Aaron Gerhardstein has tallied 386. Their favorite targets are Charlie Key (10 catches for 104 yards), Brian Pape (6-96), Clint Hammes (8-92), and Jared Lemond (11-80). The offense is as balanced as its quarterbacks, though: fifteen Engineers have made at least one reception, and eleven have rushing yards. Leading the ground attack are Key (230 yards), Hummel (207), and Scott Schlegel (125).

On the other side of the ball, Matt "Action" Jackson has racked up 49 tackles, five tackles-for-loss and two interceptions (with 95 yards of runback) to lead the defense. Austin Hastings has made 34 tackles, five of them for loss. Jake Vieck is active behind the line of scrimmage, with 29 total tackles, six for loss, four quarterback sacks, and a pair of fumble recoveries.

The Engineers host Rhodes College this Saturday in their Homecoming game. The Lynx are 2-2 (1-1 in conference play), having defeated Centre and lost to DePauw. Last year, Rose-Hulman dropped a 28-16 game in Memphis.

Homecoming festivities all morning lead up to the 2 p.m. kickoff time.



**Volleyball (8-9, 3-1 SCAC)**

The Engineer volleyball team started their season 4-1 after losing to Hanover and then winning the Rose-Hulman Invitational. They retain a share of the SCAC East lead after a 3-1 showing at the East Divisional at Sewanee at the end of September. Last week, they competed to a 1-3 record at the Millikin Invitational.

Senior standout Lindsey Kerbel has 614 assists on the season, and recently became the first Engineer to record 4,000 career assists. She stands in second place on the all-time block list with 258; 50 so far this year.

Jessica Petretti, the team's other senior, has hit a team-high 200 kills this season and smashed 26 service aces. Petretti is second on the team in blocking, with 36. Junior Lindsey Lenker has stepped up with 193 kills this year. Jennifer Scott, the lone sophomore, has 128 kills with a team-high .285 hitting percentage.

Junior Laura Telezyn is Rose-Hulman's leading digger, with 351 from her back row position this year, and has hit 29 service aces for second on the team. Rounding out the dig leaders are Petretti with 251 and Kerbel with 247.

Head Coach Brenda Davis Goble, who has been with the team since its inception in 1996, earned the program's, and her own, 100th career victory in the third match of the season.

Rose-Hulman travels this weekend to the SCAC Cross-Divisional at Oglethorpe. They play matches today against Southwestern and Rhodes; Saturday they take on Hendrix and Millsaps; and they face Trinity on Sunday.

*Photos courtesy Rose-Hulman*

**Clockwise from top left:** Brian Phelps runs for a touchdown; Laura Telezyn crouches for a dig; Matt Trowbridge dribbles past a defender; Brittany Moline dribbles toward the goal.

**Women's Soccer (8-2-1, 4-0 SCAC)**

The Rose-Hulman women's soccer team has proven themselves. In their eight wins, they have outscored their opponents by a combined 36-1 spread. Both of their losses were slim 0-1 margins. The team opened the year with a program record 10 goals in their shutout of Illinois College, and they haven't given up a goal in the last five matches, including all four SCAC contests.

The team is stocked with an excellent recruiting class. Julie Roebel scored a hat trick in her first game in an Engineer jersey and leads the team with eight goals on the season. Fellow freshman Sarah Graber has scored six times and made two assists for 14 points. Veteran Amanda Austin keeps moving the ball to the forwards, tallying seven assists and adding three goals. Two Engineers, Ashley Bernal and freshman Jennifer Gordon, have each scored four times, and senior Amy Sibilia has three goals. Also watch for freshman Brittany Moline, who has picked up six assists with the help of her long throw-in. In all, nine players have scored for the team, and 13 have tallied points for the offensive effort.

Tending the goal for Rose-Hulman, Allison Dunlop has started all 11 games and has allowed only three goals in almost 900 minutes of play. Her 0.31 goals-against average is good for second in the league and eighth in the nation.

The Engineers' upcoming schedule of SCAC teams includes Southwestern (10th in their region), Sewanee (7th regionally), DePauw (No. 13 nationally), and No. 2 in the nation Trinity. Rhodes and Hendrix travel to Terre Haute this weekend for men's-women's doubleheaders.



**Men's Soccer (6-5, 1-3 SCAC)**

The men's soccer team began their season with the best record in more than a decade, at 6-3, before being edged out in a pair of tough SCAC matches last weekend. Before the conference season started, their only two losses were by 1-2 margins in overtime. Oglethorpe defeated the Engineers 3-0 to open league play, but Rose-Hulman gained a 3-1 victory over Millsaps.

On the tough road schedule last weekend, Centre earned a 3-0 win and Sewanee scraped a 1-0 victory. Centre is ranked sixth regionally, and Sewanee earned votes in recent balloting.

The rest of the conference season is no easier. In tonight's matchup, the Engineers face fifth-in-the-region Rhodes. After that matchup, there's the nation's best Trinity University (who hasn't lost a match since the national title two years ago) later this month.

Rose-Hulman's offense is led this season by freshman Matt Trowbridge, who has three goals and five assists. Other three-goal scorers David McIlwaine and Eric Hoiland each have an assist, and Billy Whitehouse added a pair of goals. Will Mansard has one goal and two assists, while four Engineers have tallied one of each: Yaw Aning, Ray Throop, Joe Steinocher, and Ben Nelson.

In front of the net for Rose-Hulman, sophomore Stan Blaszczyk has only allowed 10 goals in almost 1000 minutes, for a 0.96 goals-against average, and has recorded 35 saves.

The Engineers host Rhodes College at 7:00 tonight at the Intramural Field. Then, at 2:00 p.m. Sunday, they take on Hendrix College at Jim Rendel Field.

# FIJIs in FOOTBALL

## Happy Homecoming and Congratulations to our Senior Brothers

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**Asst. Def. Coach:** Nick Dames

**Seniors:** Neil Harrison, Ryan Hart, Jon Hawkins,  
Spencer Schipper, Arby Tevault, Jake Vieck



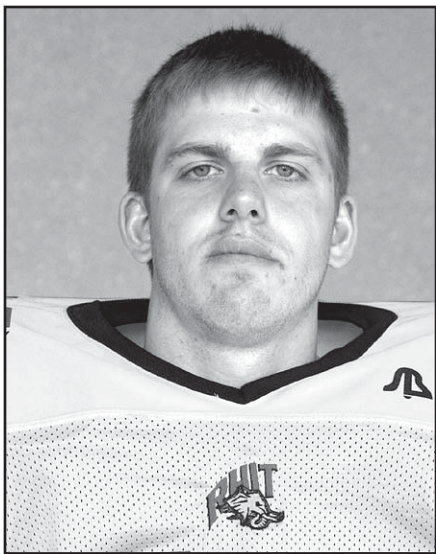
# We're Proud of You!!

Good luck to our underclassmen, too!!





# Meet the 2004-2005 Rose-Hulman Fightin' Engineers Seniors



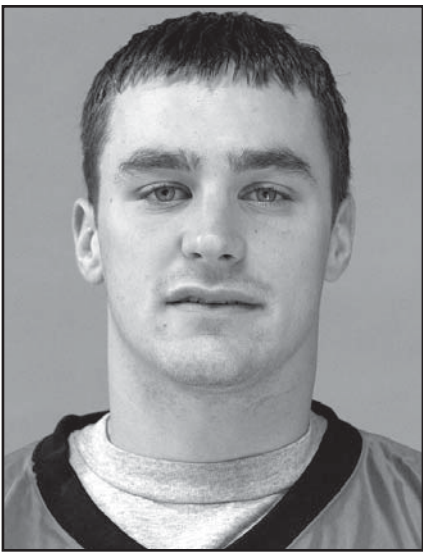
**CASEY ADKINS**  
#47 – Defensive Back  
Software Engineering  
Sand Coulee, Mont.

- \* Backup cornerback and member of the special teams
- \* Has appeared in seven career games with one tackle
- \* Thrower for the track and field team



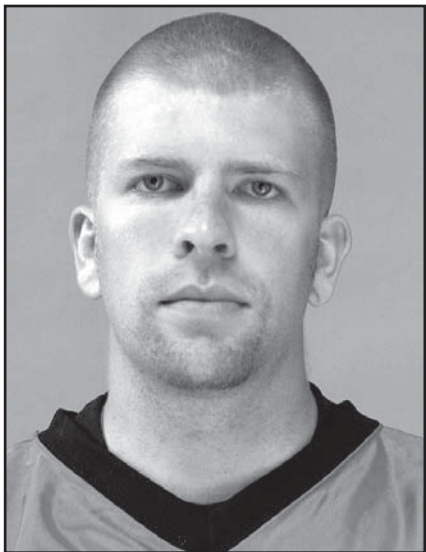
**CHRIS CUMMINGS**  
#50 – Offensive Line  
Mechanical Engineering  
Fillmore, Ind.

- \* Has started all five games at center in 2004
- \* Played linebacker, defensive line and offensive guard in first three years
- \* Dean's List every quarter of his academic career



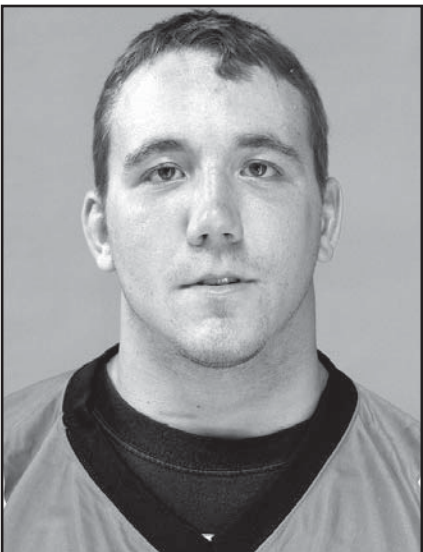
**NEIL HARRISON**  
#23 – Defensive Back  
Mechanical Engineering  
Fillmore, Ind.

- \* Two-year starter at strong safety
- \* Career totals of 127 tackles, four interceptions and one fumble recovery
- \* CoSIDA Academic All-District in 2003



**RYAN HART**  
#11 – Wide Receiver  
Computer Engineering  
La Porte, Ind.

- \* Two-year starter at wide receiver
- \* Career totals of 25 receptions for 293 yards
- \* Ranks third on the team with eight catches for 75 yards



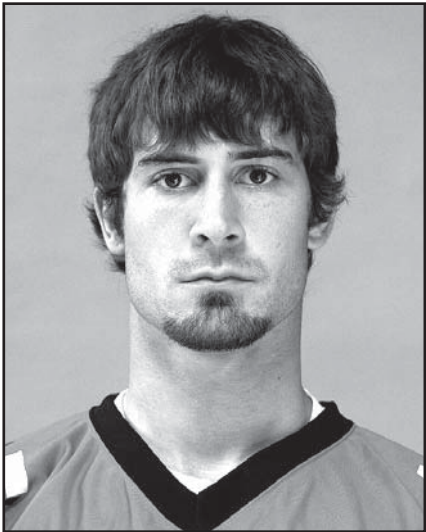
**JON HAWKINS**  
#17 – Defensive Line  
Civil Engineering  
Mooresville, Ind.

- \* Three assisted tackles on the defensive line and special teams in 2004
- \* Four-year member of the football program
- \* Will miss the rest of the season after suffering a broken leg at Oberlin



**MATT JACKSON**  
#2 – Linebacker  
Mechanical Engineering  
Dayton, Ohio

- \* Two-time all-conference selection at linebacker
- \* National Player of the Week in efforts in win over Concordia in 2004
- \* Career totals of 258 tackles, three interceptions, four sacks



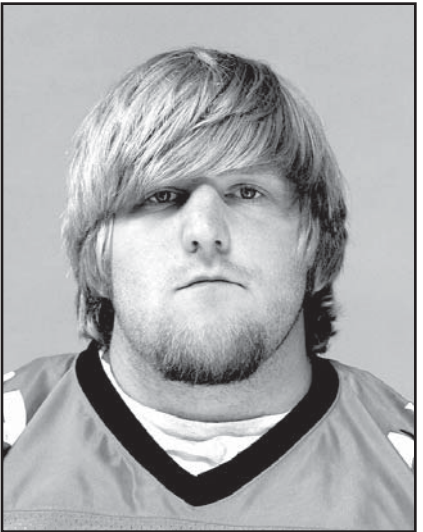
**SPENCER SCHIPPER**  
#22 – Defensive Back  
Mechanical Engineering  
Denver, Ind.

- \* Provides depth at safety and linebacker positions
- \* Eight career tackles, including four in 2004
- \* Multiple time member of the Dean's List



**ARBYTEVAULT**  
#61 – Offensive Line  
Mechanical Engineering  
Elberfeld, Ind.

- \* Backup center and key member of special teams units
- \* Four-year member of the football program
- \* Multiple time member of the Dean's List



**JAKE VIECK**  
#96 – Defensive Line  
Electrical Engineering  
Vincennes, Ind.

- \* Four-year starter at defensive tackle
- \* Career totals of 207 tackles, 15 sacks, six forced fumbles
- \* Holds school record with 4.5 sacks in 2003 win at Millsaps



# No plans just yet



I tell you  
what to  
think!!!

Brandon Hathaway  
Opinions Editor

I got my absentee ballot in the mail this week. It will remain incomplete for probably the next week. This is not because I am not going to vote. In fact, it is quite the opposite; I am still undecided and will take some time to sort it out. After all, I have a month. Since I am from Florida and undecided, I am perceived as a sort of electoral god to the two major parties. I am going to relish it.

I know that you guys are making your joke to yourself now, something like, “Ha! Florida. You’ll be lucky if your vote counts at all!” In our defense, you probably do not realize how many old people we have in Florida, and they sometimes have trouble seeing the ballot. Also, many of our young people are not very smart.

Getting back on track, last week I wrote about the importance of success in Iraq and Afghanistan, with a much stronger emphasis on Iraq than Afghanistan, and how these issues are the most important to me as a voter. I want to take this moment to point out that progress in Afghanistan is being made, and this week Afghans will go to the polls. This is significant because many candidates and polling workers are risking their lives to

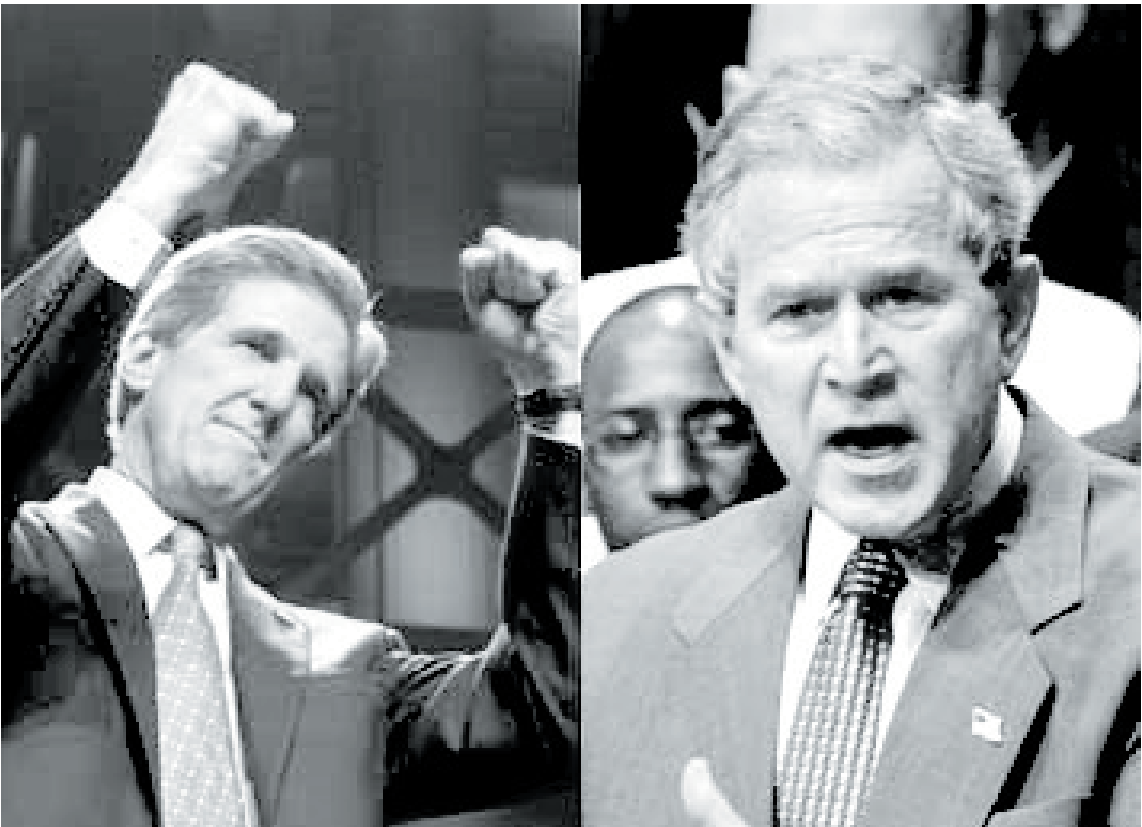
With any luck,  
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an election quite  
so close as the  
one in 2000.

have a chance to elect their leaders; it is amazing that these opportunities are being created for the first time and we can watch it happen.

What I would like to talk about this week is how the candidates seem to be doing with their Iraq solutions on this critical issue in this close election. With any luck, we will not have quite so close an election as 2000’s, because I have to tell you I am getting tired of hearing people talk about how the Florida electoral votes were stolen. If you had kept up with it, you would see that this simply is not true.

I mentioned last week that I think Iraq is the most important issue that the candidates have to solve. The thing that really bothers me, though, is that neither candidate really seems to have a way to figure this out. This is a tough problem, but in my experience, the tough problems are the ones that are the most rewarding to solve, especially for the talented people. Maybe both campaigns are missing some smart foreign policy consultants.

The Bush Plan is really what we have been seeing since the occupation began. Since he is the current president, he has been enacting policy, and that is a pretty good indicator of what to expect in the future. This mostly entails using our people already on the ground, working to train the Iraqi police force, and acting in a sort of supporting role for the Iraqi government and armed forces while small operations are made to attack terrorists. This takes place in parallel to the civilian work that is rebuilding the infrastructure of the country. The starkest difference in Kerry’s plan is the insistence on the inclusion of foreign



Senator John Kerry and President George W. Bush.

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military personnel to the securing of Iraqi cities.

Both plans on their face seem pretty good, but I still have issues with them: Bush’s policies in Iraq do not appear to be having great results, with very strong emphasis on “appear.” It is extraordinarily hard to know if they are actually providing results, because even under the best circumstances, the transition is quite a slow process. The President has not convinced me that his plan is working, especially since his approaches to invading cities changes frequently and each time Moqtada al-Sadr starts an uprising, the administration employs a new tactic. Considering the shadowy credibility with the weapons of mass destruction, it is a little hard to believe that this is the way things should be going without more hard evidence.

However, there has been re-

cent military success in Samarra, schools are being built, and the interim government is well on the way to becoming effective. It is not to say that American presence under Bush leadership is not without success, because of course they are many, but mostly they are tactical successes, not strategic ones.

Kerry’s only difference strategically is bringing in foreign troops. The drawback to this plan is what happens if they say no. The senator expects that he can convince foreign leaders who have built their governments on anti-Americanism to help by the power of his personality and because he is not George Bush. I’m a little skeptical, especially when the New York Times reports that leaders in France and Germany are a little nervous about the prospect of being faced with that possibility. Besides, his person-

ality isn’t that great.

What one of these candidates needs to do to win the vote of this undecided voter is to unveil a plan to thoroughly and aggressively build banks, schools, universities, and hospitals while also establishing a scholarship fund for Iraqi students to study journalism, civics, economics, political science and languages in the United States, Canada, Europe, Australia, and Japan. These are the building blocks that build successful markets and communities. It is also important that other countries aside from the United States be included in such a scholarship venture.

Of course, security is important as well. The police, military and intelligence forces must be trained as the candidates have proposed. I’m waiting to make my first vote in a presidential election count.

## The world matters, so start learning

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(U-WIRE) TUCSON, Ariz. - Almost 20 years ago, the Lost Boys of Sudan fled for their lives because their government was killing young boys whom they feared would become rebels.

Now, they are not lost boys. They are UA students and amazing individuals who have overcome all odds in order to get to America.

They deserve our admiration. But our interest in their story should not stop with them.

Their country desperately needs our attention.

Seventeen years after these Sudanese men fled from their country, the Sudanese government is accused of committing one of the most horrific crimes -- genocide.

No one else but the United States has admitted it, even though the facts support the accusation.

Sudan, Africa’s largest country, has been embroiled in a civil war ever since its independence

from Britain in 1956.

In 2002-2003, peace talks began with the signing of the accords.

However, in 2003, the talks stalled, and an Arab militia group known as the Janjaweed went on a campaign (many say a government-backed campaign) to rape and murder non-Arab Africans.

So far, 50,000 non-Arab Africans have been killed. About 574 towns have been destroyed.

More than 1.4 million Sudanese are refugees.

If you take some time to read firsthand accounts of what is happening in Sudan, Africa’s largest country, you will read of some of the worst atrocities imaginable.

Nicholas Kristof of The New York Times traveled to Sudan in June and told the stories of 1,000 men riding into a village on camels and horses, shouting “This land is only for Arabs,” and then brutally “massacring at least 100 people in the village.”

One 4-year-old boy was taken from his mother’s arms and slashed at the throat.

While international pressure

looked as if it were going to help the situation, the United Nations announced on Tuesday that nothing has gotten better.

According to a U.N. press release, the Sudanese government did nothing last month when it came to stopping militia attacks against civilians and taking action against those responsible for the crimes.

Instead the Sudanese government has spent its time defending itself, claiming there is no genocide and playing tricks with the international community.

In the latest twist of its twisted game, the Sudanese government accused the American government for being interested in Sudan only because Bush wants the black and Jewish votes.

I do not care who you support for president. I am horrified that someone can accuse America of standing against genocide for political purposes.

But unless Americans outside the government start to show that we care, those accusations will continue.

Over the summer, stories about Sudan rarely showed up

on CNN World, but they were the top story on BBC World everyday.

Americans isolate themselves from the world to such an extent that we create our own bubble of ignorance.

As Wayne Decker, the director of the International Studies Program said, we have myths of the world that prevent us from coming to grips with reality.

Two years ago we went to war with a country most Americans could never even claim to understand.

Yet we had our myths of the country that we used to justify the war.

One myth was that Iraq was one of the greatest threats to world peace.

That couldn’t be further from the truth.

Our ignorance is the greatest threat to world peace.

Realize this: The “war on terror” is not a war between governments, and it is not a war between terrorists and governments.

This is a war between people. We, along with the govern-

ment, need to do something about it.

We need to get out into the world. We need to rid ourselves of our global myths and come to grips with reality.

And we might as well start with Sudan.

After the Holocaust more than 50 years ago, the world pledged never to turn the other way when faced with genocide.

Well, the world has looked away time and time again.

If you want to know more, read about the genocide in Rwanda or Pol Pot’s atrocities in Cambodia.

Let’s not turn away again.

Refugees are dying of starvation and disease along the Sudanese-Chad border.

It is no longer safe for us to be ignorant.

Because although we can’t see it now, Sudan matters.

Twenty years from now, these refugees who survive the conflict might also enroll in courses at the UA.

We can’t wait until they get here to listen to their stories.

They need our support now.

Double feature

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Entertainment Editor

This past weekend, I took a trip to Indianapolis. “Why would I do such a thing?” you might ask. If I were to hear you, I could easily reply, “To see some movies.”

To justify going places, I have a guideline: the time spent at the location should be greater than the time spent driving there. Thus, to justify driving to Indianapolis (roughly two hours roundtrip), the movie showtime needed to be over two hours. Fortunately, my friends and I found a simple solution: see a double feature. The first film we saw was *Shaun of the Dead* followed closely by *Ghost in the Shell 2: Innocence*, with a short interlude at Taco Bell for some inexpensive nourishment.

To sum it up nicely, the flow of the evening was: good movie, poor-quality tacos and gorditas, and then good movie. The night went something like this...

We left campus leaving plenty of time to get to the movie theater. It was a small three- or four-plex in Indianapolis proper: one of those snooty, independent theaters with movies you cannot see anywhere else (which was where I went to see the film). We

got there just in time to skip the trailers for

*Shaun of the Dead*  
Directed by Edgar Wright  
Starring Simon Pegg

When I first saw Shaun advertised, I did not know quite what to think. The tagline reads “A romantic comedy. With zombies.” Clearly, I figured, a joke. Within the first 10 minutes of the film, however, I realized that this film, of all films, would actually live up to its tagline. It was, in fact, a romantic comedy with zombies. Amazing.

Simon Pegg plays Shaun, a loser who works in an appliance store, trying to patch up a broken relationship with his girlfriend. He needs to gain initiative to be more of a go-getter, willing to go places other than the pub. He needs to get his slacker flatmate to get a job so the other flatmate does not kick him out. He needs to fight the zombie infestation. Shaun of the Dead was quite an impressive movie. It mixed elements of sappy romantic comedies with the horror elements of zombie thrillers. The romantic combination of the two genre makes for a cheesy horror film — the best kind.

This movie is both gory and funny at the same time. Some jokes will have you laughing right there on the spot, whereas others will get you as you are leaving the theater during those moments when you are recounting your favorite aspects of the film.

All in all, I thought this film was great, featuring a main character who is at first unaware of the zombie threat, slowly gaining charisma and a sense of being all the while overcoming his relationship problems...oh yeah, and killing zombies.

If you like the zombie franchise, or want to see a witty, funny British film with an excess of gore, you should definitely see Shaun of the Dead.

The next film we went to see was the Japanese film.

*Ghost in the Shell 2: Innocence*  
Directed by Mamoru Oshii  
Starring Akio Ôtsuka

For those of you not familiar with Anime (Japanese animation), Ghost In The Shell 2: Innocence is the sequel to the 1995 film Ghost in the Shell. Innocence focuses on the further activities of the cyborg cop Bateau and the Section 9 police officer Togusa as they investigate a series of

cases involving pleasure-based robots slaughtering their owners.

This leads Bateau on a search to find the Major, taking him and Togusa through a series of twists and turns, as well as playing with the audience psychologically. The movie tended to move slowly during the scenes in which characters were not shooting guns at each other, and in the end, I was confused, barely remembering when I saw Ghost in the Shell nine years ago.

In the original film, Bateau was a supporting character. This movie, however, focuses on his dichotomous nature: machine and man; cold killer cop and basset hound-loving dog owner. He has trouble getting along with Togusa, who has minimal cybernetic implants, and is thus considered mostly human. This provides for social tensions between coworkers, which results in interesting character development throughout the film.



My friends said it was more like Stand Alone Complex, the Ghost in the Shell series made after the first movie. I must take their word on this, as I have not seen it, and probably will not, not being the greatest anime fan of my peers, and the least of those who went to see Innocence.

If you like Anime, if you liked Ghost in the Shell, or if you like strange mind-bending movies, you should see Ghost in the Shell 2: Innocence. If you are a person who enjoys being hand-fed a watered down plot complete with jokes involving flatulence and genitalia, you should avoid this movie and go see Taxi. I'm sure Jimmy Fallon and Queen Latifah are on their way towards that Academy Award for Best Picture.

## Culinary Engineering

Evan Parker  
Staff Writer

Beef Teriyaki

**Hardware**

- Frying pan or wok
- Vegetable steamer or a tight fitting cover for frying pan or wok above
- Colander
- Stirring utensil (wooden spoon)

**Software**

|                                 |  |
|---------------------------------|--|
| 1/3 lb. thinly sliced beef      | 1. Prep work: Start cooking the rice. Cut and rinse the vegetables and slice the beef.                                   |
| 1 cup mixed stir fry vegetables | 2. Steam the vegetables for 2 minutes by:  |
| 1 cup bean sprouts              | • Boiling water in the bottom of your steamer and adding the vegetables  |
| 2 tablespoons peanut oil        | • OR Placing the wok or frying pan over medium heat, adding the vegetables and ¼ cup of water and covering for 2 minutes |
| 2 cups white rice or noodles    | 3. Set vegetables aside.   |
| - Toasted sesame seeds          | 4. Once meat is browned, add teriyaki sauce and vegetables and stir fry an additional minute.                            |
| 2 tablespoons teriyaki sauce*   | 5. Stir in the bean sprouts and serve over rice or noodles   |
| ¼ cup water                     |  |

# Remember those college days when all you ate was pizza? Welcome home.

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Turning your Rose-Hulman memories upside-down.

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Herbig's Pun of the Week

Locomotive conductors are always in training.

Top Ten Worst Things to Hear During Homecoming

10. "Huh! I guess nobody was guarding it Friday morning."
9. "There's a slight problem with the fireworks. Or rather, there *was*."
8. "Yet another victim of premature integration."
7. "That's the fifth injury for the Engineers tonight."
6. "This is going to give new meaning to the term 'Disco Inferno.'"
5. "When I went here..."
4. "Hey, it's Hertz! And he brought wine cooler!"
3. "The game has been called on account of the apocalypse."
2. "That *is* burning really weird, isn't it?"
1. "Due Monday."

--Aaron Meles

Ouch! My Self-Esteem!

Alexander J. Clerc

Going to Rose-Hulman is great... most of the time. But sometimes it can feel like the fast-paced, high-level learning can leave you in the dust. Sometimes I don't understand 80% of a lecture; sometimes it feels like a course is traveling at ludicrous speed; sometimes a grader will write "WTF!?" on my homework. Some days, I don't feel like a flame of burning knowledge. I feel like that stubborn cardboard match that just won't light but you keep trying to light it anyways even after the match head is stripped off and all your friends are looking at you like you're a giant loser because you can't even light a freakin' match. Sometimes Rose-Hulman is, as Tom Butler might say, the place where self-esteem comes to die.

The solution? We, the student body, demand a self-esteem enhancement program! It's time for the administration to make a few morale-boosting improvements to our school.

We need to take field trips to high-school calculus classes – that would make us feel smart again. We need to give everyone a free pair of sunglasses – because sunglasses just make you feel cool. We need funhouse mirrors in the weight room that make you look totally buff when you're curling those 10's. And just once I'd like a professor to come in to class and say, "You guys have been working really hard. Let's listen to some Björk and take a nap." Is that too much to ask?

And most of all, the administration needs to purchase and distribute hundreds of gorilla costumes for mandatory ape suit Fridays. But we, the students, won't be donning the monkey skins; no, that would be too hot and itchy to bolster our failing egos. The simian dress code will apply to the faculty only. That way, if you ever find yourself in class listening to a lecture which is hopelessly above your head, just sit back, crack a smile, and think, "Awww... look at the silly monkey... it thinks it can talk." I can feel my self-esteem soaring already.

Wacky Prof Quotes

"We should have a moment of silence for the 1% of electrons that have died serving their transistor in battle."

--Prof. Hoover, on electron-hole recombination

"Penetration: the deeper you get inside, the greater the resistance."

--Prof. Lui, on... uh... resistance

"All the pain is in control now. That is not supposed to be a pun."

--Prof. Mellor, on torture

"Man, this is it! I'm resonating, baby!"

--Prof. Sutterer, giving a demonstration

"We would be happy to exchange them for mercury and lead."

--Prof. Heeter, on the contents of hot dogs

"Yeah, sure, my chair, my wall, they all speak to me... Probably explains a lot."

--Prof. Livesay, pondering

"The more time we spend discussing theoretical issues like we are now, the more people are falling asleep all over the place."

--Prof. Luegenbiehl, on the difficulties of theoretical ethics

"That's what I like about mathematics - either you prove it or shut up."

--Prof. Grimaldi, about strict proofs

"Ethics in entrepreneurship is really important, and I hate the ties you wear."

--Prof. Mason, reading students' thoughts

"I love those surface undulations."

--Prof. Sutterer, with a new pickup line

"Oh feces!"

--Prof. Broughton, after a calculation mistake

"What are we talking about? I don't have a clue."

--Prof. Graves, leading the class

Send your prof quotes or other humor material to [flipside@rose-hulman.edu](mailto:flipside@rose-hulman.edu)

This Day in History

In 1871, the Great Fire of Chicago is started by Mrs. O'Leary's cow knocking over a lantern in her barn. Police investigate possible ties to the Bovine Mafia.

In Addition

Procrastination is the cause of much of the discomfort and sadness at (Lissa-- remind me to finish this.)



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